## REVENUE.

### LAND REVENUE.

*(Nos. 158 and 159.)*

SUBJECT No. 158.

Remission of Assessment.

Messrs. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, Shimoga Taluk, and Srinivasa Dikshit, Shimoga District Board.
(2) Messrs. Chik Guruvareddi, Bangalore Taluk; Alampalli Adinarnaiya and Devasettappa, Dodballapur Taluk; Guru Sambbulingappa, Dodballapur Municipality; B. Srinivasiengar, Anekal Taluk; Keni Narasimhaiya, Anekal Municipality; H. Krishnappa, Closepet Sub-Taluk; H. Seenappa, Hoskote Taluk.
(3) Messrs. Gopalreddi, Chikballapur Taluk; Byregowda, Dod Ramegowda and Vembralliah, Kolar Taluk, and G. Ramappa and Bhaskarappa, Srinivaspur Taluk.
(4) Messrs. Ummanniah, Bowringpet Taluk; Byregoda, Dod Ramegowda and Vembralliah, Kolar Taluk; Gopalreddi, Chikballapur Taluk; and G. Ramappa and Bhaskarappa, Srinivaspur Taluk.
(5) Mr. H. Thimmappaiya Manjarabad Taluk.

*Summary of discussion.*—(1) Owing to a total failure of crops in the semi-malnad and some maidan taluks, the raiyats find it impossible to pay any assessment this year and have not got even seed grains. At least half the assessment may be remitted in such cases and the collection of the other half suspended for a year and seed grain supplied by Government and the price realised at the next harvest.

(2) Remission of assessment may be granted and land-holders excused from the payment of *miras* to village servants during the current year.

(3) Remission of *kulbanni* may be granted this year owing to the failure of rains.

(4) Remission of assessment on wet and garden lands is prayed for as the rainfall was scarce and untimely.

(5) In view of the distress caused by seasonal conditions and the inability of raiyats to pay kandayam, Government may grant time for the payment of the kandayam of past and current years.

4. *Reply of Government.*—(1) and (4) Government Order No. R 13579-88—L. R. 375-18-13, dated 24th April 1919, has been passed after full consideration and local inspection. No further remissions can be given.

(2) and (3) This cannot be done.

(5) Coercive measures will have been suspended so far pending orders of Government. The portion of kandayam not remitted should now be paid up in time. The most that Government can do is, to give time till the end of June.

SUBJECT No. 159.

Reduction of assessment on wet and garden lands below minor tanks.

Mr. Narasimha Sastri, Arkalgud Taluk.

*Summary of discussion.*—As the restoration of minor tanks is attended to by the raiyats, the assessment on wet and garden lands may be reduced. If this is not possible, the recovery of contributions for restoration may be discontinued.

*Dewan.*—The existing practice is that Government should pay two-thirds and the raiyats one-third voluntary contribution towards the restoration of the minor tanks. This practice has not worked satisfactorily. It is under contemplation to fix the raiyats' contribution at one-fourth and make it compulsory. What do the members think of the proposal?

Members agreed unanimously to the proposal.